Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 03 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 04 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 03 Dec 2021 at 03:37 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable conditions, and for Friday and Sunday to be the drier days. Low by Tuesday.

Headline for Friday 03 Dec 2021: Mainly dry and bright with some sunny intervals and a few light showers, of snow on the mountains. Fresh to strong westerly breeze. Occasionally heavy rain and snow developing in the evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 03 Dec 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Light snow	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
10%	30%	10%	10%	10%	80%

Forecast for Friday 03 Dec 2021

Weather: A damp start to the night with some drizzle, summit snow flurries, extensive low cloud and hill fog. It will become dry during the early hours, the cloud gradually lifting and then breaking. Daylight hours then look mainly dry and bright with some sunny intervals though with a few light showers, of snow above 700m. Then towards the evening cloud will thicken from the west with some outbreaks of rain and some snow above 600-700m developing, some on the heavy side.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% in early hours improving to 60% by dawn and 70% during the day, falling 10% in the evening.

Visibility: Poor in early hours due to a combination of cloud as low as 400-600m and some drizzle or light snow, but mainly good during the day away from cloud, which will become patchy above 900m. Occasionally poor in the evening in rain and snow and extensive cloud at 450-750m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	32/40 NW	36/46 W	32/42 W	26/34 W	25/33 SW	28/38 SW	23/31 SW
900	23/27 W	27/33 W	24/30 W	20/26 SW	23/29 SW	26/33 SW	21/26 SW
600	16/20 SW	18/23 SW	17/23 W	15/21 SW	14/21 SW	17/25 SW	13/20 SW
300	5/13 SW	6/17 SW	8/18 SW	7/17 SW	5/15 S	8/20 SW	5/15 SW
Glen	3/21 SW	4/24 W	4/20 SW	4/18 SW	5/19 SW	5/20 SW	4/15 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-13	-4/-13	-4/-14	-4/-12	-4/-12	-3/-12	-3/-11
900	-0/-7	-0/-8	-1/-8	-0/-7	-0/-7	-0/-8	-0/-7
600	2/-3	2/-4	2/-4	2/-3	2/-3	2/-4	2/-3
300	3/1	2/-0	4/1	3/0	2/-0	3/-1	2/0
Glen	3/2	3/1	5/3	4/2	3/0	3/-1	3/0
Freezing Level*	800m	800m	700m	800m	800m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
The poorer conditions will be in the early hours and the evening. Glare from snowcover by day.

Forecast for Saturday 04 Dec 2021
Weather: Mainly cloudy with outbreaks of rain and hill snow, the snow mainly above 500-600m. Some longer drier interludes in the afternoon and evening but any showers that remain will be of snow to low levels in the evening.

Maximum wind: North or northwest 20 gusts 30mph increasing 30 gusts 40mph in the afternoon. Severe wind chill.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30%, increasing 60%

Visibility: Occasionally moderate or poor in rain and snow, very poor in hill fog and blowing snow. Becoming mainly good away from showers later. The cloud 500-700m lifting and breaking a bit more later.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 Celsius, falling to Plus 1 in the evening.
At 800m: Minus 1 Celsius falling Minus 3.
Freezing level: 600-700m falling 300m in the evening.

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